

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
storing on a client device a set of references to ~~external~~ destinations in an external network environment, each destination having an associated bookmark media object located in the external network environment, the associated bookmark media object when presented to a user providing information regarding a state of the destination;
presenting the bookmark media objects to a user for selection; and
accessing the network destination corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.
2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising storing on the client device a set of references to the bookmark media objects.
3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein accessing the network destination comprises retrieving a web page corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein accessing the network destination comprises retrieving a three-dimensional environment corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein presenting the bookmark media objects comprises retrieving the bookmark media objects from one or more hosts.
6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein presenting the bookmark media objects comprises displaying at least one thumbnail.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein presenting the bookmark media objects comprises displaying a matrix of bookmark media objects.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein presenting the bookmark media object comprises displaying a stream of video.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein displaying the bookmark media objects comprises outputting audible sounds.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 and further including:
~~verifying~~ determining a status of each bookmark media object; and
presenting a default bookmark media object when the status indicates the corresponding bookmark media object is not available.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each bookmark media object represents a current state of the corresponding network destination.

12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each bookmark media object represents an entry point into three-dimensional content defined by the web pages.

13. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
generating a set of bookmark media objects, each bookmark media object corresponding to a network destination within a computing environment;
storing the bookmark media objects on one or more servers within the computing environment; and
updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media objects as a function of a state of the ~~computing environment~~ corresponding network destination.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object comprises updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object as a function of a current state of the corresponding network destination.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object comprises updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object as a function of the information received from a remote user.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the set of bookmark media objects ~~are~~ is generated by a server within the computing environment, and further wherein updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object comprises updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object as a function of host-determined conditions.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object comprises updating ~~the~~ each bookmark media object when content of the corresponding network destination is changed.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein generating ~~the set of~~ the bookmark media objects includes generating a thumbnail for a first bookmark media object in the set.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein ~~updating~~ generating the set of bookmark media objects includes generating a video stream for a first bookmark media object in the set.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein ~~updating~~ generating the set of bookmark media objects includes generating an audio stream for a first bookmark media object in the set.

21. (Original) The method of claim 13 further comprising communicating the bookmark media objects to a client device for display to a user.

22. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium having instructions stored thereon to cause a programmable processor to:

store on a client device a set of references to ~~external~~ destinations in an external network environment, each destination having an associated bookmark media object located in the external network environment, the associated bookmark media object when presented to a user providing information regarding a state of the destination;

present the bookmark media objects to a user for selection; and

access the network destination corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.

23. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to store on the client device a set of references to the bookmark media objects.

24. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to retrieve a web page corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.

25. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to retrieve a three-dimensional environment corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.

26. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to present the bookmark media objects by displaying at least one thumbnail.

27. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to present the bookmark media object by displaying a stream of video.

28. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to output audible sounds in response to at least one audio signal.

29. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein the instructions cause the programmable processor to ~~verify~~ determine a status of each bookmark media object; and present a default bookmark media object when the status indicates the corresponding bookmark media object is not available.

30. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 22, wherein each bookmark media object represents a current state of the corresponding network destination.

31. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a server configured to store a set of bookmark media objects, wherein each bookmark media object ~~corresponds to a~~ when presented to a user provides information regarding a state of a corresponding destination within a network environment;

a client device communicatively coupled to the server and configured to store references to the network destinations; and

a web browser executing in an operating environment provided by the client device, wherein the web browser is configured to present the bookmark media objects to a user for selection as a function of the references and to access the network destination corresponding to the selected bookmark media object.

32. (Original) The system of claim 31, wherein at least one of the bookmark media objects comprises a thumbnail.

33. (Original) The system of claim 31, wherein at least one of the bookmark media objects comprises an audio stream.

34. (Original) The system of claim 31, wherein at least one of the bookmark media objects comprises a video stream.

35. (Original) The system of claim 31, wherein a client device configured to store references to the bookmark media objects on the web server.

36. (Original) The system of claim 31, wherein the web server is configured to update each bookmark media object as a function of a current state of the corresponding network destination.

37. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein the web server is configured to update each bookmark media object as a function of information received from the web browser.

38. (Original) The system of claim 36, wherein the web server is configured to update each bookmark media object when content of the network destination is changed.

39. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the bookmark media object when presented to a user provides a multimedia preview of the corresponding destination.

40. (New) A computer program product, tangibly stored on a computer readable medium, comprising instructions operable to cause a programmable processor to:

generate a set of bookmark media objects, each bookmark media object corresponding to a network destination within a computing environment;

store the bookmark media objects on one or more servers within the computing environment; and

update each bookmark media object as a function of a state of the corresponding network destination.

41. (New) The product of claim 40, wherein instructions to update each bookmark media object comprise instructions to update each bookmark media object as a function of a current state of the corresponding network destination.

42. (New) The product of claim 40, wherein the set of bookmark media objects is generated by a server within the computing environment, and further wherein instructions to update each bookmark media object comprise instructions to update each bookmark media object as a function of host-determined conditions.

43. (New) The product of claim 40, wherein instructions to update each bookmark media object comprise instructions to update each bookmark media object when content of the corresponding network destination is changed.

44. (New) The product of claim 40, wherein instructions to generate a set of bookmark media objects comprise instructions to generate a thumbnail for a first bookmark media object in the set.

45. (New) The product of claim 40, wherein instructions to generate a set of bookmark media objects comprise instructions to generate a video stream for a first bookmark media object in the set.

46. (New) The product of claim 40, wherein instructions to generate a set of bookmark media objects comprise instructions to generate an audio stream for a first bookmark media object in the set.